#### **CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES**

The Habitat Committee (HC) will meet online September 5-6, 2024 to discuss current habitatrelated and other issues as appropriate. Topics on the September Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) agenda will include Marine Planning (C.1), Equity and Environmental Justice - Gap Analysis Framework and Regional Implementation Plan (C.2), the Inflation Reduction Act Update (C.3), and the Queets Spring/Summer Chinook Rebuilding Plan (E.3). The HC may submit supplemental reports on one or more of these agenda items.

Other topics on the HC's agenda include Columbia River dredging plans, an update on California salmon water quality and habitat activities, a briefing on national fishing effects on marine habitats, plans for the pending Pacific Salmon essential fish habitat review, and other topics. The HC will develop a supplemental report under Habitat (D.1) on one or more of these topics, as appropriate.

The HC may also collaborate with the Council's Marine Planning Committee to draft a comment letter for the supplemental Briefing Book (under C.1, Marine Planning) on a U.S. Department of Energy Request for Information related to West Coast regional transmission planning for offshore wind energy.

The Council should consider the material under this agenda item and provide guidance as appropriate.

## **Council Action:**

## Consider comments and recommendations developed by the HC.

# Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item D.1.a, Supplemental HC Report 1.
- 2. If received, public comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

#### Agenda Order:

D.1 Current Habitat Issues

Kerry Griffin

a. Report of the Habitat Committee

- Correigh Greene
- b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Report and Recommendations

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